ARDC – Grant Terms Overview

Organization: [name]
Project: [name]
Fiscal Sponsor: [name, if any]
EIN: [number]

Grant Period:
• Grant Start Date: [date of Grant Letter]
• Grant End Date: [date]:

Please note that these terms are provided as an overview; for full legalese visit https://www.ampr.org/grant-terms-small-us-501c3s-restricted/.

By accepting the enclosed grant funding, [Organization]:

A. Agrees to:
   i. Complete the items outlined in the accepted Proposal, which is included with this letter for reference.
   ii. Expend all grant funds within the above Grant Period for the purposes outlined in the Proposal.
   iii. Provide progress reports to ARDC every six (6) months and upon completion of the grant. A Grant Report Worksheet is on the next page for easy reference.
   iv. Publicly release all publications, research, software, hardware, and other creative works completed using these grant funds, ideally using an Open Source Initiative or Creative Commons License.

B. Agrees NOT to:
   i. Use the funds for anything other than fulfilling items outlined in the grant Proposal, particularly:
      1. to engage in lobbying (a.k.a. influence legislation), or
      2. to attempt to influence the outcome of an election.
   ii. Speak on behalf of ARDC – only an ARDC representative may do that. ARDC won’t speak on your behalf, either. We’ve also provided some basic communication materials that you can go ahead and use.
   iii. Use ARDC logos or material for anything other than promoting that we’ve provided you with a grant. ARDC abides by the same rules regarding your logos and materials. We’ve provided some basic communication materials that you can go ahead and use; let’s collaborate if you need anything more!

C. Certifies that it is a charitable entity, exempt from tax under IRC section 501(c)(3).

D. Acknowledges that ARDC may terminate this grant, particularly if it discovers that [Organization] has misused or plans to misuse funds. (This means you would have to give the money back.)

E. Acknowledges governance in the state of California. As a California-based organization, ARDC is governed by the laws of the state of California. In the event of a legal dispute (which we hope never to happen), we’ll see you in San Francisco, CA. Legal expenses are the responsibility of each party.

Have a question? We can help! Reach out at: giving@ampr.org.